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SUBJECT Soviet Naval Vessels Observed in the
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1 In Kronshtadt: Three submarines

four cruisers

SVERDLOV-class [redacted], one under
construction, and the ADMIRAL MAKAROV, two
destroyers [redacted] and auxiliariesIn Riga: One M-class
submarine and submarine [redacted] class unidentified.

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2 KRONSETADT-class submarine chaser [redacted]
off Tallinn. Large naval vessel [redacted]
[KIROW-class] and two destroyers with
scaffolding around the foremasts in
Kronshtadt. KRONSHADT-class submarine
chasers [redacted] in Sassnitz.

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3 Sighting of the EKVATOR, NARA, KRONSHADT-
class submarine chaser [redacted] submarine
(in Riga)

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4 Two unidentified naval vessels at the
fitting-out basin in Zhdanov Shipyard,
Leningrad, with scaffoldings around the
foremasts. No description.

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two naval vessels lay at the fitting-out basin of
the Sydanov Shipyard in Leningrad. Scaffoldings were erected around
the vessels' foremasts.

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The following observations were made

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- Seen in Kronstadt were cruiser class and another one. a ship similar to the PROVORNYY class destroyers [redacted] a number of minesweepers and a large icebreaker.

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Observed in Riga were a submarine of the "M" class and approximately six small patrol vessels. In Riga bight was submarine [redacted] (see sketch)

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An exhaust pipe on each side for gases from two diesel motors.

In Kronstadt were the armored ship [redacted] (on its way out to sea), the cruiser ADMIRAL MAKAROV at anchor in the roadstead, a frigate and a submarine underway in the roadstead, and a cruiser under construction.

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1. The KRONSTADT class subchaser [redacted] was observed at the buoy off of Tallin. [redacted]

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2. The following were seen in Kronstadt:

- a. A large naval vessel [redacted]
- b. Two destroyers with scaffolding around the foremasts.
- c. [redacted]

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3. Patrol Boat [redacted] was observed off of the entrance to Riga [redacted]

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4. Subchaser [redacted] and one other, of the KRONSTADT class, were observed in Sassnitz.

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5. KRONSTADT class Subchasers [redacted] were seen in Sassnitz.

6. KRONSTADT class Subchasers [redacted] departed [redacted] were seen in Sassnitz.

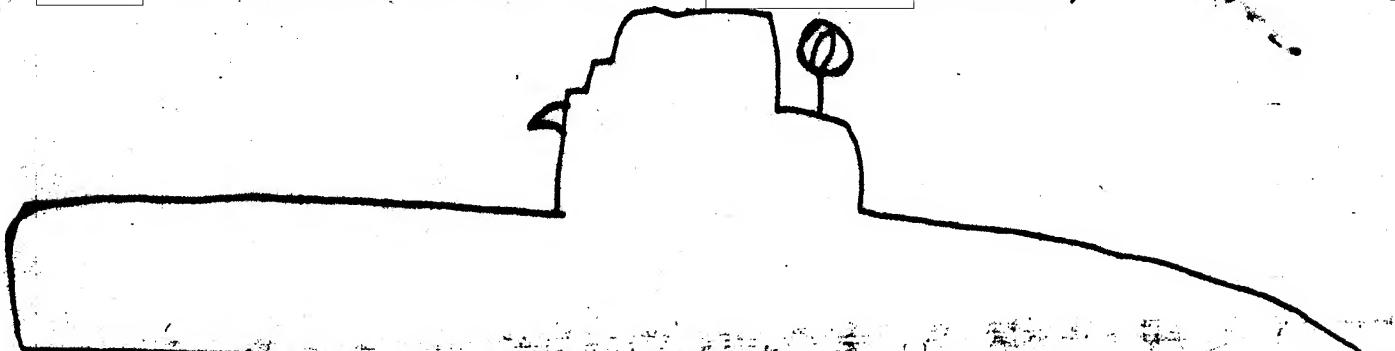
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The following observations were made ~~SECRET~~ on the dates indicated:

- In Riga there were a small number of motor torpedo boats lying in the harbor, a [redacted] 25X1
- Outside Helsingborg, Sweden, the school vessel EKVATOR was sighted northbound at a speed of 14 knots. [redacted] 25X1
- The tanker NARA outside Helsingborg, Sweden, sighted [redacted] northbound in a loaded condition, at a speed of 10 knots. [redacted] 25X1
- In a canal south of Winterhafen in Riga were observed about forty motor torpedo boats and submarine [redacted] (see sketch) [redacted] 25X1



Outside Kronstadt were seen two cruisers, ten-odd minesweepers, and three submarines. In Kronstadt were twenty-odd destroyer-like vessels.

- In Sassnitz was the KRONSTADT class submarine chaser [redacted] 25X1

[redacted] - In Riga Bight were seen a large number of submarines which practiced torpedo firing at a small zig-zagging warship.

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